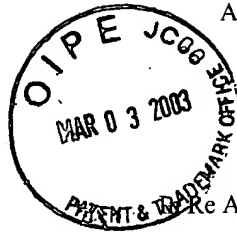


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Application No. 09/428,134

Art Unit: 2181

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SIR: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above application.

- _____ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- _____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- _____ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | (Col. 1) | | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) |
|--|-----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| | Claims Remaining After Amd. | | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra |
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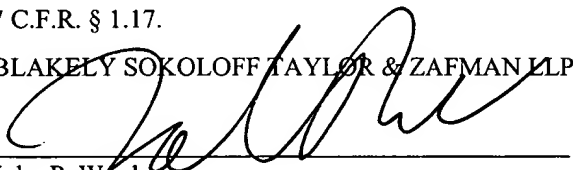
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| SMALL ENTITY | |
|----------------|----------------|
| Rate | Additional Fee |
| X9 | \$ |
| X42 | \$ |
| +140 | \$ |
| Total Add. Fee | \$ |

| OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Rate | Additional Fee |
| X18 | |
| X84 | |
| +280 | \$ |
| Total Add. Fee | |

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$942.00 is attached for presentation of additional claims.
- ☒ Applicants hereby Petition for an Extension of Time of three months pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☒ A check for \$920.00 is attached for processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.
- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-2666 the amount of \$ _____.
- A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.**
- ☒ The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 (a duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed):
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- ☒ Any extension or petition fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 110.00

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deficiencies in indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

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- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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2. ☒ Payment Enclosed: ☒ Check
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------------------|----------|
| Code | Fee (\$) | Code | Fee (\$) | | |
| 1001 | 750 | 2001 | 375 | Utility application filing fee | _____ |
| 1002 | 330 | 2002 | 165 | Design application filing fee | _____ |
| 1003 | 520 | 2003 | 260 | Plant filing fee | _____ |
| 1004 | 750 | 2004 | 375 | Reissue filing fee | _____ |
| 1005 | 160 | 2005 | 80 | Provisional application filing fee | _____ |

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ _____

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

| | | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------|
| Total Claims | _____ | - 20** = _____ | X _____ | = _____ |
| Independent Claims | _____ | - 3** = _____ | X _____ | = _____ |
| Multiple Dependent | _____ | | _____ | = _____ |

**Or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below.

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|---|
| Code | Fee (\$) | Code | Fee (\$) | |
| 1202 | 18 | 2202 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 | 84 | 2201 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 280 | 2203 | 140 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 | 84 | 2204 | 42 | **Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 | 18 | 2205 | 9 | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

SUBTOTAL (2) \$ _____

FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

| <u>Large Entity</u> | | <u>Small Entity</u> | | <u>Fe D scription</u> | <u>Fee Paid</u> |
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| 1051 | 130 | 2051 | 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 1052 | 50 | 2052 | 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 | 130 | 1053 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 | 2,520 | 1812 | 2,520 | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination | |
| 1813 | 8,800 | 1813 | 8,800 | Request for inter parties reexamination | |
| 1804 | 920* | 1804 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 | 1,840* | 1805 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 | 110 | 2251 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | 110.00 |
| 1252 | 410 | 2252 | 205 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 | 930 | 2253 | 465 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 | 1,450 | 2254 | 725 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 | 1,970 | 2255 | 985 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 | 320 | 2401 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 | 320 | 2402 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 | 280 | 2403 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 1451 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 1452 | 110 | 2452 | 55 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 | 1,300 | 2453 | 650 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 | 1,300 | 2501 | 650 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 | 470 | 2502 | 235 | Design issue fee | |
| 1503 | 630 | 2503 | 315 | Plant issue fee | |
| 1460 | 130 | 1460 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 | 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) | |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 8021 | 40 | 8021 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1809 | 750 | 2809 | 375 | For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a)) | |
| 1814 | 110 | 2814 | 55 | Statutory Disclaimer | |
| 1810 | 750 | 2810 | 375 | For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b)) | |
| 1801 | 750 | 2801 | 375 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | |
| 1802 | 900 | 1802 | 900 | Request for expedited examination of a design application | |
| 1504 | 300 | 1504 | 300 | Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal pub. | |
| 1505 | 300 | 1505 | 300 | Publication fee for republication | |
| 1803 | 130 | 1803 | 130 | Request for voluntary publication or republication | |
| 1808 | 130 | 1808 | 130 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) (except provisionals) | |
| 1454 | 1,300 | 1454 | 1,300 | Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority | |

Other fee (specify) _____

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SUBTOTAL (3) \$ 110.00

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